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Aircraft Maintenance Engineering Institutes
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is a member of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) of 192 countries of the world, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether India is conducting training programmes in 53 recognized institutions under the control of Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) in the country at present on the basis of pattern and curriculum for Aircraft Maintenance Engineering (AME) prescribed by the ICAO, and if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether India is not a member of European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) even than it is changing the rules and pattern of training in the country on the pattern of EASA, if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Government is committed to implement the skill development programme in as possible as minimum time for providing employment to the youth, if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government proposes to withdraw the policy of changing the AME training rules without obtaining the membership and its new policy of awarding licence after training in 6 years instead of 4 years and if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government has directed 53 AME institutes that have been providing trained manpower for the last 50 years to discontinue registration after 2016;

(g) if so, whether any alternative arrangements have been made for providing technical manpower to the aviation industry and if so, the details thereof; and

(h) whether for students studying in AME institutes, the three year course which has been recognised as three years practical experience for the last fifty years, which has now been reduced to one year experience, and if so details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Shri Jayant Sinha)

(a) Yes Madam, India is a signatory to the Chicago Convention, 1944.
(b) At present there are 49 organization having current approval from DGCA to conduct Aircraft Maintenance Engineering (AME) Training course. The details of organization are given in Annex "A".

(c) CAR 21, CAR 145, CAR M, CAR 147 and CAR 66 are formulated in similar lines of regulations published by European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).

(d) Government has approved National Civil Aviation Policy aiming at holistic development of aviation sector including skill development tending to increased opportunities of employment.

(e) No, Madam.

(f) & (g) DGCA has permitted the AME institutes to take fresh batch of students for 2016. DGCA is examining the issue for future roadmap in this regard in consultation with UGC.
(h) Rule 61 published in year 1991 specifies that "Provided also that for applicants who have satisfactorily completed training in institutes approved by Director General, the Central Government may relax the experience requirements by one year" and had remained unchanged.